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[G.O. Ms. No. 185, Home (Prison-V), 23rd April 2025,

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No. SRO A-12/2025.— In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 59 of the Prisons Act, 1894 (Central Act IX of 1894) and all the powers hereunto enabling, the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby makes the following amendment to the Tamil Nadu Prison Rules, 2024:-

AMENDMENT.

In the said Rules, in rule 219, after sub-rule(2), the following sub-rule shall be added, namely:-

“(3)Prohibition of caste-based discrimination in Prisons and Correctional Institutions:

- (i) At the time of admission of a new prisoner, the prison authorities shall not enquire about or obtain and record any details pertaining to the caste of the prisoner. No provision/column pertaining to caste of the prisoner shall be maintained in any register or record.
- (ii) It shall be strictly ensured that there is no discrimination or classification or segregation of prisoners on the basis of their caste.
- (iii) It shall be strictly ensured that there is no discrimination of prisoners in allotment of any duty/work in prisons on the basis of their caste.
- (iv) The provisions of “the Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and their Rehabilitation Act, 2013 (Central Act 25 of 2013) shall have a binding effect in prisons and correctional institutions. Manual scavenging or hazardous cleaning of a sewer or a septic tank inside a prison shall not be undertaken”.

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Additional Chief Secretary to Government.